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SUMMARY OF
The St. Louis Republic
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THE WEATHER.
CLOUDY, COOL TO-DAY.
Forecast for the St. Louis and vicinity: Increasing clouds and cooler to-day; southerly winds, shifting to northwesterly to-morrow. For Missouri: Fair to-day; cooler to-morrow. For the West: Fair to-day; cooler to-morrow. For the South: Fair to-day; cooler to-morrow. For the East: Fair to-day; cooler to-morrow. For the North: Fair to-day; cooler to-morrow. For the West: Fair to-day; cooler to-morrow. For the South: Fair to-day; cooler to-morrow. For the East: Fair to-day; cooler to-morrow. For the North: Fair to-day; cooler to-morrow.

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THE VERY REV. J. GRIMMELMAN, S. J.
Retiring provincial of the Missouri Province of the Society of Jesus.

BISHOP SPALDING'S WARDS ASK REUNION

Baroness Sedwitz in Peoria to Effect Reconciliation for Herself and Marquise de Montiers.

SEEK ADMISSION TO CHURCH?

Semi-official Announcement Made That Both Regret Renunciation of the Catholic Faith.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 8.—Bishop John Lancaster Spalding of the Diocese of Peoria asked for time to consider the matter when Baroness Sedwitz asked for a meeting to effect a reconciliation for herself and her sister, the Marquise de Montiers, with the venerable prelate.

Baroness Sedwitz and the Marquise de Montiers were wards of Bishop Spalding before their marriages to two French noblemen.

It is said that the two sisters will also sue for readmission to the Catholic Church, having renounced their allegiance to that faith about a year ago. Their renunciation of the Roman Catholic Church created a sensation in church and society circles, and their appearance here to-day has started many rumors among Catholics.

Baroness Sedwitz, with her young son, her aunt, Mrs. Donnelly, and two maids, arrived Thursday night, but their presence was not discovered until they were recognized yesterday afternoon at the Niagara Hotel.

The Marquise de Montiers is in New York, and is said to be leading a retired life since her separation from her husband.

The Baroness would not talk, and Mrs. Donnelly gave out the purpose of the visit. It is said that another effort to see the venerable prelate will be made to-morrow, and it is believed that he will grant an audience.

Baroness Sedwitz and the Marquise de Montiers were formerly the Misses Caldwell of Kentucky. They were taken as wards by the Bishop of Baltimore, and at his death were assigned to the care of Bishop Spalding.

Both married wealthy French noblemen and are now independently wealthy. Before their renunciation of the Catholic faith they became famous by endowing the Catholic College at Washington, D. C.

Operation to Relieve Effects of Old World Census Planning at St. Louis. Mass in California—Baroness Sedwitz.

An operation, intended to relieve the effects of wounds received in the Civil War, caused the death of Lewis E. Kline in San Francisco, Cal., last Thursday. The body will be brought to St. Louis Tuesday for burial. The funeral arrangements have not been made, other than the choice of the Reverend C. W. E. Ethington of the Second Baptist Church to officiate.

Mr. Kline, who was a brother of the Reverend Doctor George Kline, former pastor of the Lafayette Baptist Church, was for many years a resident of St. Louis, and from 1874 to 1887 was manager of the American Baptist Publishing House, when he resigned on account of ill health.

Mr. Kline was born in Washington County, Illinois, in 1813. His parents removed to St. Louis the same year, and Mr. Kline's early education was received in this city.

When war was declared between the States, Mr. Kline enlisted in the Thirty-third Missouri Infantry, of which Colonel Clinton B. Fisk was commander. Mr. Kline served two years, and was wounded eleven times in his service. He came back to St. Louis after leaving the army, and remained here until 1877, when he was forced to go to California in search of health.

Mr. Kline is survived by his wife, whose maiden name was Sally B. Mason, in his residence in St. Louis Mrs. Kline managed the Baptist Denominational Depository in this city.

Four Buildings Damaged. Fire Alarms in Quick Succession—Three Downtown.

Four fire alarms were turned in yesterday afternoon and evening. The first occurred at 4:30 p. m. in the building of the Roth-Homery Coffee Company, No. 21 North Second street, in which a blaze was started by a defect in an exhaust pipe. Damage of \$100 was caused to the stock.

About the same time the Gay building at Third and Pine streets sustained a damage of \$200 to the building because of a fire caused by crossed wires.

On the fourth floor of the C. B. Groves Tea and Coffee Company, No. 21 South Seventh street, there was a fire which resulted in a damage amounting to \$7,000. The flame was caused by sparks from a roasting machine.

Early in the night a dwelling at No. 235 North Broadway, owned and occupied by R. Riley, caught fire, and the flames were not extinguished before \$75 damage had been done to the furniture and \$100 to the building.

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MANCHURIAN TROOPS REBEL; MANY OFFICERS ARE KILLED; WITTE ATTEMPTS TO RESIGN

All Messages From Czar's Soldiers in the Far East are Censored, and Full Horror of Rebellion Cannot Be Told—Emperor Refused to Allow Premier to Drop Reins of Government—Telegraph Strike May Be Called Off Temporarily, Pending Concerted, Determined Effort in January.

GOVERNMENT ENDEAVORING TO PLACATE THE ARMY.

Hart, Manchuria, via Warsaw, Russia, Poland, Dec. 8.—Many officers are being killed by rebellious troops. Rebellious officers are not permitted to return home.

All messages from Manchuria are censored. Berlin, Dec. 8, 6:22 p. m.—A dispatch to the Tagblatt from St. Petersburg, dated yesterday and received here today by way of Stockholm, from Stockholm, says Premier Witte has given his resignation to the Emperor who refused to accept it.

TRUCE IN TELEGRAPH STRIKE APPEARS PROBABLE.

St. Petersburg, Thursday, Dec. 7. (Evening.) via Stockholm, Dec. 7.—A much more optimistic feeling prevails in Government circles at the prospect of a complete collapse of the postal telegraph strike, and the definite passage of the danger, but it might be complicated by an immediate general strike throughout the Empire.

The Workers' Council and the railroad men's affiliated organizations this afternoon came to a final decision that it was not wise to employ the supreme fighting tool, except to accomplish the highest political aims, and to reserve all their strength for the great struggle projected for the middle of January.

In the meantime, they will devote their energies to perfecting and extending their organizations and to the accumulation of their resources. Without the support of allies, with the meager fund of \$5000 exhausted, and with many reluctant and poverty-stricken members returning to work, the leaders of the strikers maintain the opinion that they cannot hold out any longer.

GOVERNMENT ENDEAVORS TO PACIFY THE ARMY.

With an eye to the future, the Government is making a great effort to relieve the discontent in the army by removing the cause of complaint. The sum of \$5,000,000 has been added to the military budget for the improvement of the soldiers' food and clothing.

Though the Moscow Semivodskaya says they are ready to support Premier Witte on the conditions laid down in the resolutions of the congress, Mr. Petrunkovich believes that the idea of the strikers is now too late and that the only salvation for the Government is the retirement of the whole military ministry and its replacement by a ministry having the confidence of the people.

PETRUNKOVICH DENIES TO STRUCK WORKERS.

Mr. Petrunkovich, who himself is credited with harboring the ambition to succeed Count Witte as Premier, modestly declined to suggest the proper man when questioned on the subject, saying that was the prerogative of the sovereign.

But he emphatically expressed the opinion that a real liberal ministry would instantly change the situation, and rally to its support not only the Zemstvoists, but the Constitutional Democrats in general, and the great mass of the orderly disposed people who have not associated themselves with the socialist revolutionaries.

ARMED AND PEASANTS MAKING COMMON CAUSE.

In many regions of Russia the local authorities are practically unable to protect the estates, both owing to the insufficiency of the troops and the temper of the soldiers.

The military commanders have secretly notified the landowners that it is doubtful whether the troops will fire upon the peasants, and if the soldiers are split up in small detachments and sent to the country it is likely that they will make common cause with the peasants and murder their officers.

The commander of the fortress at Irkutsk has notified the land owners in his jurisdiction that they must make such provisions as they can for their own protection.

Owing to the situation, the Governors of Provinces are authorizing the increase of the village police and the arming of the policemen.

ST. LOUIS GIRL DIES ON EVE OF MARRIAGE.

Miss Julia A. Salerni Passes Away in Detroit—Was Engaged to J. J. Cusick of This City.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 8.—After being stricken with a complication of diseases, although her friends had been prepared to prepare for her side and with her when she died. He will accompany the body to St. Louis, where the burial is to take place.

Mr. Cusick is a member of the Cusick Bros. firm, grocers, on Jefferson avenue.

CAPT. CARTER HARRISON DEAD.

Brother of Former President Expires in Tennessee.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 8.—Captain Carter Harrison, brother of the late President Benjamin Harrison, died yesterday at his home near Murfreesboro, Tenn., at the age of 59 years.

Captain Harrison was appointed by his brother to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of Tennessee. He served faithfully through the Civil War on the Federal side.

Captain Harrison is survived by his widow, one daughter and one son.

RYAN OBSTINATE; JEROME IS ASKED TO BRING ACTION

Purchaser of Equitable Stock Refuses to Tell Committee What Harriman Said to Him.

LIVELY TILT AT HEARING.

On Advice of Attorney, Man Who Got Hyde's Holdings Declines to Say Whether Threats Were Made.

ARMSTRONG IS DETERMINED.

Chairman of Committee Says Public Means Were Used to Force a Division After Stock Was Purchased.

New York, Dec. 8.—The Legislative Committee which is investigating the insurance conditions to-day determined to send to District Attorney William T. Jerome a request that he institute proceedings against Thomas F. Ryan, financier and owner of the majority of the stock of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, to punish Mr. Ryan for refusing to answer questions before the committee.

Mr. Ryan had refused to answer when asked what E. H. Harriman, president of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific railroad companies, had said to him when Mr. Harriman tried to induce him to share his control of the Equitable Society with Mr. Harriman.

Mr. Ryan was asked whether Mr. Harriman had threatened that routes threatened to Mr. Ryan's interests would close, or if Mr. Harriman had told him that some action would be taken by the State Legislature, or any officers of the Government, unless Mr. Ryan consented to share his stock with him.

Acting on the advice of his attorney, Paul D. Conover, Mr. Ryan declined to answer those questions, although Senator William W. Armstrong, chairman of the committee, directed him to do so. Mr. Ryan, however, did answer one question by saying that Mr. Harriman did not tell him at the time there would be legislative investigation of the life insurance business unless he gave up part of the Hyde stock.

Mr. Ryan had already testified that he secured control of the Equitable Society by paying James H. Hyde \$200,000 for 20 shares of the total 1,000 shares of the society.

"After you had bought the stock, was

THOMAS F. RYAN.

Who recently became an insurance magnate, and now stands in danger of prosecution for his failure to answer certain questions put by the New York Insurance Investigating Committee yesterday.

There any proposition to share it with you?" asked Charles E. Hughes, counsel for the committee.

"Am I obliged to answer that question?" asked Mr. Ryan.

"I think you ought to, Mr. Ryan," said Mr. Hughes.

"Mr. E. H. Harriman desired to share the purchase with me, and I refused to permit that," replied Mr. Ryan.

Mr. Ryan said that he thought Mr. Harriman made his request on the day that Mr. Ryan bought the stock, and before the purchase was publicly announced.

"What did Mr. Harriman say to you to influence you to make the sale?"

"I do not think, Mr. Hughes, I ought to be called upon to answer a question like that to characterize or state a conversation I had privately with Mr. Harriman," said Mr. Ryan.

Paul D. Conover interrupted by saying to the chairman:

"I feel bound to say to my client, Mr. Ryan, that while he should testify most fully to what he did, and what he planned to do, he cannot, unless he chooses to do so voluntarily, be required to attempt to state conversations which Mr. Harriman or any other man had with him."

To this Mr. Hughes replied:

"I deem the matter important in two aspects. In the first place that the committee may understand the motive which may actuate those who desire to obtain control of the stock of the insurance company, and the proceedings which may be taken to acquire it; and secondly, that we may know whether there is any truth in the report that there is any suggestion that life insurance conditions in this State would be investigated if Mr. Ryan did not accede to Mr. Harriman's request. I think that we should have full light upon the transaction, and I hope that Mr. Ryan will feel that he can do another public service by advising the committee fully."

Mr. Conover said that Mr. Ryan would

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USED BED CLOTHES TO SMOTHER WOMAN

Mrs. Stark Says Burglar Bound and Piled Blankets Upon Her, Before Robbing House.

CLAIMS HER LOSS WAS \$60.

Police Who Investigate Case Say They Are Unable to Obtain Much Information From Family.

According to the statement of Mrs. Louisa Stark, she was overpowered by a strange man, at her home, No. 122 St. Louis avenue, yesterday afternoon, gagged and tied and smothered under a pile of bed clothing, and the house robbed of more than \$60.

Her story was to the effect that, while engaged at washing a kitchen window, a man entered the room by a side door, behind her. The first she knew of his presence was when he tore her apron away and used it to smother her screams, also threatening to kill her if she made an outcry. Then, after trying her hands, he dragged her into a front room, she says, threw her on the floor, grabbed the covering from a cot, threw it on her, and the cot on top of all, following this by jumping on the cot.

She then lost consciousness, and was only restored by her mother, Mrs. Annie Miller, who lives alone in a small house on the alley in the rear of the Stark home. Mrs. Miller said that, alarmed by the quiet in her daughter's home, and not having seen her at work for some minutes, she went to investigate.

She found Mrs. Stark in the position described, where the intruder had left her after ransacking the house, unconscious from faint and from rough treatment.

Investigation showed it to be, that the dresser drawer had been looted and an envelope containing \$60, consisting of five \$10 bills and two \$5 bills, belonging to Mrs. Miller, was missing, and that about \$10 had been taken from a pocketbook belonging to Mrs. Stark.

The police say that a silver dollar was left lying on the dresser.

After Mrs. Stark was restored to consciousness she said that she did not obtain a good view of her assailant, but saw enough of him to know that he was poorly dressed and was apparently about 30 years old.

Her daughter, recently married to William Smith, and who resides with her husband in the upper story of the building, was away from home at the time, as were the four smaller children, who attend the Carleton Dry Goods Company, was summoned by telephone, arriving at 1:10. It was the belief of the family that the assault occurred about 2 o'clock or 2:30.

Doctor Charles Harrell was called from his office, nearby, at No. 211 North Fourteenth street. Mrs. Stark told him the man had kicked her in the stomach and had also thrown her down in such a way as to bruise her head. Doctor Harrell's examination, however, failed to discover any marks of violence.

Special Officers John Mealy and Matt King, from the Fifth District Station, were sent to investigate the story, arriving after Doctor Harrell, stated that they were assaulted by a dog, that seemed determined to drive them away.

They reported at headquarters that they asked Mrs. Stark questions, none of the answers to which seemed to them satisfactory, until the members of the family united in driving them away.

GRAY'S SPECIAL TRAIN RAN BEHIND SCHEDULE.

Prison's General Manager Arrives in Little Rock to Visit at Bedside of His Father.

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 8.—General Manager Carl E. Gray of the Prison arrived here in a special train over the Iron Mountain this afternoon from St. Louis, having made a quick trip from Chicago.

He comes to the bedside of his father, Colonel D. C. Gray, who is seriously ill at the State School for the Blind, of which he is Superintendent.

Mr. Gray's special from Chicago to St. Louis was delayed and ran an hour behind the regular schedule, despite the report that a record for the distance had been broken.

When Mr. Gray arrived the condition of his father was slightly improved.

HANDSOME WOMAN PICKPOCKET SOUGHT

Female Attired in Fashionable Costume Snatches Many Purse From Downtown Shoppers.

LADY WITH INFANT A VICTIM.

Patrons of Big Department Stores Lose Valuables by Mysterious Thief, Described as Six Feet Tall.

VICTIMS OF PURSE

SNATCHES YESTERDAY.

Mrs. Margaret Frame, of No. 184 Simple avenue, who was relieved of her purse yesterday afternoon, was one of the victims.

Mrs. C. H. Daniels, No. 237 St. Louis avenue.

Mrs. J. H. Levenhart, No. 72 Whittier street.

Miss Anna Brandt, No. 19 South Twenty-third street.

A fashionably dressed woman, believed to be an expert female pickpocket, operated successfully and boldly in downtown department stores yesterday. Several women shoppers reported a loss of their chatelaine bags, purses and pocket books at various department stores, but no clue of the mysterious woman has been found.

Mrs. C. H. Daniels of No. 237 St. Louis avenue, was one of the victims. She says she was shopping at a counter on the fourth floor of a big store when she noticed a handsome woman, fashionably dressed, standing near her, apparently inspecting some fabrics.

Mrs. Daniels says the woman moved nearer to her, but while she was making her purchases the woman left. A few minutes after her departure Mrs. Daniels found her chatelaine bag open. A purse, containing \$5 cents, had been taken. Her handkerchief and several small articles were left in the open bag.

Mrs. Daniels reported the matter to the police, who in turn reported the theft to the police.

Several other women reported attempts to rob them, while they were in downtown department stores.

The female pickpocket is suspected in each case. She was seen by several of the women shoppers, and the same description of the woman is given by each victim.

The woman is 6 feet tall, has black hair and eyes and is attired in a black tailor-made walking suit. She is said to be strikingly handsome and is possessed of attractive features.

HANDY AT GRABBING PURSE.
Mrs. Margaret Frame of No. 184 Simple avenue, who was relieved of her purse while standing at Washington and Sixth streets, yesterday afternoon, was one of the victims. She says she was shopping at the Carleton Dry Goods Company, was summoned by telephone, arriving at 1:10. It was the belief of the family that the assault occurred about 2 o'clock or 2:30.

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HEADS TAMMANY SOCIETY.

Bourke Cockran Elected President of Charitable Organization.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Dec. 8.—Congressman Bourke Cockran has been elected grand sachem of the Tammany Society.

The society is a charitable and social organization very closely allied with Tammany Hall, the Democratic organization, but is an altogether distinct organization, and has no political significance.

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